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#### COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

# STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, SEPTEMBER 27, 2002

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

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STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

CASE NO. PUE-2002-00519

Ex Parte: In the matter of considering requests for approval to delay the provision of consolidated billing services pursuant to § 56-581.1 of the Virginia Code

### ORDER

On September 16, 2002, in Case No. PUE-2001-00297, Virginia Electric and Power Company ("Dominion Virginia Power" or "the Company") filed a motion with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") for a delay to implement consolidated billing services in its service territory, pursuant to § 56-581.1 of the Virginia Code.

In support of its motion, Dominion Virginia Power states that the approach taken by the rules adopted by the Commission for consolidated billing services will require a significant commitment of time and resources to develop, implement, and test the necessary changes to the Company's billing system. Further, the Company states that its work on the internal systems and processes necessary to implement CSP Consolidated Billing cannot begin in earnest until the underlying policies and business rules have been coordinated with the VAEDT. Dominion Virginia Power states that it will be prepared to offer the CSP Consolidated Billing option to interested CSPs no later than 180 days after the Revised Version of the VAEDT Plan is filed with the Commission.

NOW THE COMMISSION, having considered Dominion Virginia Power's motion, finds that it should be treated as an application pursuant to 5 VAC 5-20-80 A of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, that other utilities should have the opportunity to file similar requests, that interested parties be given the opportunity to comment on these requests, and that a new docket be established to consider them.

# Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) This matter is docketed and assigned Case No. PUE-2002-00519.
- (2) Dominion Virginia Power's motion, filed in Case No. PUE-2001-00297, shall be treated as an application pursuant to 5 VAC 5-20-80 A of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, and considered in this case, Case No. PUE-2002-00519.
- (3) Any local distribution company wishing to request a delay in the provision of consolidated billing services pursuant to § 56-581.1 of the Virginia Code shall file its application with the Commission on or before October 11, 2002.
- (4) On or before October 18, 2002, interested parties and the Staff may file comments on all such requests filed with the Commission.
  - (5) This case is continued for further orders of the Commission.